GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
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MORTALITY RATE OF CHILDREN
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the mortality rate of children as on date in each State;

(b) whether the Government propose to take preventive steps in each State during the Ninth Plan; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA)

(a) The infant mortality rates for India and the major States for 1999 are annexed.

(b)& (c) Immunisation against six vaccine preventable diseases, control of deaths due to diarrhoea and acute respiratory infections, provision of essential newborn care, prophylaxis against Vitamin A and Iron deficiency are being implemented in all States as a part of the Reproductive and Child Health Programme.The Pulse Polio Programme has been launched to eradicate Polio from the country. As a measure of strengthening of interventions for child health and improving the outreach of services some schemes have been initiated. The Border Districts Cluster Strategy Project has been launched in 48 identified weak districts of Andhra Pradesh, Bihar, Gujarat, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, J & K, Karnataka, Kerala, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Orissa, Punjab, Rajasthan Tamil Nadu, Uttar Pradesh, West Bengal.A new Scheme for improving outreach services in 50 selected districts of eight weak performing States viz. Assam, Bihar, Madhya Pradesh, Orissa, Rajasthan, Uttar Pradesh, West Bengaland Gujarat has also been launched to give special inputs to improve family welfare services including child health services. Provisional Estimate of Infant Mortality Rate, 1999

IMR	
India	70
Bigger States	
Andhra Pradesh	66
Assam	76
Bihar	66
Gujarat	63
Haryana	68
Karnataka	58
Kerala	14
Madhya Pradesh	91
Maharashtra	48
Orissa	97
Punjab	53
Rajasthan	81
Tamil Nadu	52
Uttar Pradesh	84
West Bengal	52
Smaller States	
Arunachal Pradesh	43
Goa	21
Himachal Pradesh	62
Manipur	25
Meghalaya	56
Mizoram	19
Nagaland	NA
Sikkim	49
Tripura	42

Excludes Nagaland (Rural) and Jammu & Kashmir due to part- receipt of returns NA : Not available due to part-receipt of returns Note: Infant mortality rates for smaller states are for the period 1997-99 Source : Sample Registration System